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1. FOLLOWING SOCIALIST AGREEMENT YESTERDAY (JANUARY 29) TO DISCUSS ECONOMIC MEASURES WITH DC WITH VIEW TO EVENTUAL PSI BENEVOLENT ABSTENTION IN PARLIAMENT, DC AND PSI REPRESENTATIVES HAVE BEGUN ECONOMIC TALKS. OBSERVERS BELIEVE THESE NEGOTIATIONS WILL CONTINUE FOR SEVERAL DAYS BEFORE EVENTUAL COMPROMISE ON SPECIFIC ECONOMIC MEASURES COULD BE REACHED.

2. EVEN IF DC AND PSI CAN AGREE ON LIMITED COMPROMISE, REPUBLICAN PARTY VIEWPOINTS WILL HAVE TO BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION. AS PRI AND SOCIALIST ARE EVEN FURTHER APART THAN DC AND PSI IN THEIR ECONOMIC PHILOSOPHY, REPUBLICAN CONFIDENTIAL

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OPPOSITION COULDPREVENT NEW GOVERNMENT FROM BEING

FORMED. ALTHOUGH ALL-DC GOVERNMENT WOULD HAVE SMALL PARLIAMENTARY MAJORITY WITH ONLY SOCIAL DEMOCRAT SUPPORT AND SOCIALIST ABSTENTION, DC RIGHT WING MIGHT WELL REBEL IF PRI WERE TO BE EXCLUDED. VOLPE

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